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May 07, 2019 Record of Decision for Site NW042 (Area 0900)

Joint-Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst Fort Dix Sites

New Hanover and Pemberton Townships, Burlington County

NJDEP Preferred Identification: 007195

Dear Mr. Frye:

The New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) has reviewed the May 07, 2019 Record of Decision (ROD) for Site NW042 (Area 0900), prepared by US Department of the Air Force (USDAF) and ARCADIS.

The Selected Remedy for Site NW042 (Area 0900) is Alternative 2. This alternative would include in-situ soil mixing to reduce the overall concentration of pesticides in soil at the site to below the NJDEP residential direct contact soil remediation standards (RDCSRS). Soil mixing would blend impacted and non-impacted soils in two focused areas requiring remediation to achieve compliance with the NJDEP RDCSRS in accordance with the NJDEP technical guidance.

The selected remedy (Alternative 2) would be protective of human health and the environment and would comply with Federal and State requirements that are applicable or relevant and appropriate to the remedial action. Therefore, NJDEP concurs with the selected remedy in the referenced ROD. NJ Pinelands Commission also concurs with the selected remedy in the ROD.

Recently, the USDAF conducted investigations at all three bases to determine if Perfluorooctanesulfonic Acid (PFOS) and Perfluorooctanoic Acid (PFOA) are present within soil and groundwater, and the investigation identified PFOA/PFOS at WP021. Detailed assessment and remediation, if required, of PFOS and PFOA (along with other contaminants of emerging concern) at the Sites, will be evaluated at a future time under later CERCLA documents.

NJDEP appreciates the opportunity to participate in the decision-making process to select appropriate remedies. If you have any questions, please contact Stephen Maybury, Chief, Bureau of Case Management at (609) 633-1455.

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